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SUBJECT: SALINITY AGREEMENT

REF: STATE 126006

1. ANTICIPATING SIGNATURE OF SALINITY LEGISLATION, DEPARTMENT HAS DRAFTED FOLLOWING SUBSTANCE OF A NOTE TO SERVE AS THE NOTIFICATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 10 OF SALINITY AGREEMENT.

2. I REFER TO MINUTE NO. 242 OF THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION ENTITLED "PERMANENT AND DEFINITIVE SOLUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM OF THE SALINITY OF THE COLORADO RIVER," AND PARTICULARLY TO - PARAGRAPH 1(E)-AND TO PARAGRAPH 10 OF -HAT AGREEMENT, THE LATTER OF WHICH STATES THAT "THE PROVISIONS WHICH ARE DEPENDENT FOR THEIR IMPLEMENTATION ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF WORKS OR ON OTHER MEASURES WHICH REQUIRE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS BY THE UNITED STATES, SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON THE NOTIFICATION BY THE UNITED STATES TO MEXICO

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OF THE AUTHORIZATION BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS OF

SAID FUNDS, WHICH SHALL BE SOUGHT PROMPTLY."

3. I AM HAPPY TO INFORM YOU THAT ON JUNE (BLANK), 1974,
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES SIGNED INTO LAW

LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR
THE WORKS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED BY THE UNITED STATES TO
COMPLY WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS WITH RESPECT TO WATER
DELIVERIES TO MEXICO PROVIDED UNDER MINUTE NO. 242.
ACCORDINGLY, BEGINNING TODAY, OF THE 1.5 MILLION ACRE-
FEET OF COLORADO RIVER WATER ALLOTTED TO MEXICO BY THE
WATER TREATY, THE APPROXIMATELY 1,360,000 ACRE-FEET OF
WATERS DELIVERED TO MEXICO UPSTREAM FROM MORALES DAM
WILL HAVE AN ANNUAL AVERAGE SALINITY OF NO MORE THAN
115 PPM, PLUS OR MINUS 30 PPM, OVER THE ANNUAL AVERAGE
SALINITY OF COLORADO RIVER WATERS WHICH ARRIVE AT
IMPERIAL DAM.

4. THIS NOTE SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO FOREIGN OFFICE
BY EMBASSY AS SOON AS EMBASSY IS ADVISED BY DEPARTMENT
THAT PRESIDENT HAS SIGNED ENROLLED BILL.

5. DECLASSIFIED AFTER NOTE DELIVERED TO FOREIGN
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